

REMARKS

This application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action dated January 18, 2007. Claims 2 to 6 are in the application, with Claims 1 and 7 having been cancelled herein. Claims 2 to 5 are independent. Reconsideration and further examination are respectfully requested.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for indicating that Claims 2 to 6 are allowed. In keeping with this indication of allowable subject matter, Claims 2 to 5 have been rewritten in independent form. Claim 5 also includes additional changes that are not believed to affect the allowability of Claim 5. Claim 6 is dependent on Claim 5. Consequently, Claims 2 to 6 are seen to be in condition for allowance.

The Office Action entered rejections of Claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) over "Multidimensional Optical Interconnections Using Beam-Scanning Laser Diodes" (Itoh), and of Claim 7 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) over U.S. Patent No. 6,573,984 (Jung). Claims 1 and 7 have been cancelled. The foregoing actions have been taken without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter, and without conceding correctness of the rejections, but rather strictly to obtain an earlier allowance and to expedite issuance.

No other matters being raised, it is believed that the entire application is fully in condition for allowance, and such action is courteously solicited.

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